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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

Bratescu et al.

Serial No.: 10/677,422

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For: Antimicrobial Ternary Surfactant Blend
Comprising Cationic, Anionic, and
Bridging Surfactants, and Methods of
Preparing Same

Examiner: Alton Pryor

Art Unit: 1616

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Non-final Office Action mailed March 23, 2006, requiring a restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121. This Response to the restriction requirement with an election is believed to be timely in conjunction with the one-month Petition for Extension of Time, and the associated fee, filed herewith.